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In re Patent Application of:
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For: SUCTION AND DISCHARGE VALVE
ARRANGEMENT FOR A SMALL
HERMETIC COMPRESSOR

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

Commissioner for Patents
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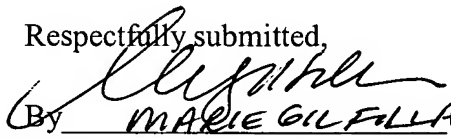
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